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STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Cristina Romanelli combines policy analysis expertise with wide-ranging experience in the field of energy regulation. Cristina provides policy analysis and strategic advice to public interest and environmental intervenors in electricity and gas cases in various North American jurisdictions. Ms Romanelli also provides litigation support to private sector clients. Ms Romanelli represents and consults with both public and private bodies on sustainable development, environmental issues, energy efficiency and renewables. In the past seven years, she has managed numerous electricity- and gas-rate and energy efficiency cases and has participated in over 30 energy regulatory proceedings by providing evidence, testimony, and other support in both English and French. She also reports on Quebec energy issues for the Canadian Energy Regulatory Information Service (CERISE).

EXPERIENCE – ENERGY AND MANAGEMENT CONSULTING

The Goodman Group Ltd,

Associate Energy Consultant, 2008 – present

- Provided research assistance to The Goodman Group for the preparation of expert evidence for Canadian litigation concerning a hydroelectric power plant outage

Econalysis Consulting Services (ECS) and Elenchus Research Associates (ERA), Montreal, QC and Toronto, ON

Associate Energy consultant, 2005 – present

- Provided strategic advice and analytical expertise to intervenors in energy regulatory proceedings by providing research and reports, preparing interrogatories, cross-examination and final arguments
- Prepared evidence and provided testimony regarding energy efficiency programs and rate applications in regulatory hearings relating to Hydro-Québec and Gaz Métro over the period 2002 – 2008
- Actively participated in working groups and negotiations pertaining to Québec regulatory matters in the energy sector
- Special interests include increasing the participation of low-income and residential consumers in energy efficiency and DSM programs

- Conducted research for public interest groups involved in regulatory hearings at Quebec's Régie de l'énergie, the Manitoba Public Utilities Board and the Ontario Energy Board
- Reportage on Quebec energy issues for the Canadian Energy Regulation Information Service (CERISE), www.cerise.info

CMR Enviro Consultants 2002-Present, Montreal, QC

President, Energy & Environment Consultant

- Participated in several working groups and negotiations for public interest groups regarding Hydro-Québec Distribution and Gaz Métro Energy Efficiency Programs, rate cases and performance-based incentive mechanism applications
- Conducted research, prepared evidence and provided advice and testimony for public interest groups in several energy regulatory proceedings in the natural gas and electricity sectors at Quebec's Régie de l'énergie
- Conducted extensive research and participated in a large number of working groups on the development and implementation of energy efficiency programs
- Provided advice, support, and assistance in providing expert testimony for the *Groupe de recherche appliquée en macroécologie* (GRAME) in several regulatory proceedings at Quebec's Régie de l'énergie
- Presented several conferences to ALCOA Canada employees and suppliers regarding energy efficiency measures and sustainable development practices, within the *Climaction Lachine campaign*
- Carried out research pertaining to the development and impact of renewable energies in Quebec
- Obtained funding for the GRAME and co-authored a report on the evaluation of the preliminary guidelines for the Eastmain 1-A, Rupert Diversion Project
- Conducted research for *Dunsky Energy Consulting* regarding the development of energy efficient and renewable energy technologies
- Managed a research project for several sections pertaining to energy in an interactive, educational CD-Rom with Cotardi Productions Inc.
- Mandated by the Quebec Government to represent the GRAME in the working group for the environmental analysis of programs for the *Société d'Habitation de Québec* (March 2003)
- Representative for the GRAME on the Management Committee of Gaz Métro's Energy Efficiency Fund (2003-2004)
- Conducted extensive research, prepared a report and provided testimony at Quebec's Régie de l'énergie for three environmental interest groups concerning energy supply to remote communities for regulatory hearings relating to Hydro-Québec Distribution's 2005-2014 supply case
- Co-authored and presented a report for the GRAME to the Quebec National Assembly (*Commission Parlementaire sur l'environnement et les transports*) regarding Quebec's implementation of the Kyoto Protocol (February 2003)

- Assisted in the preparation of the 2003 Forum on the implementation of the Kyoto Protocol (*Forum 2003 sur la mise en oeuvre du Protocole de Kyoto*) with the Association des Industries électriques du Québec (AIEQ), the Association Québécoise sur la maîtrise de l'énergie (AQME) and the GRAME
- Carried out research pertaining to the energy sector in Tunisia and Kyoto protocol mechanisms for *YHC Environnement*
- Authored and presented papers at multiple conferences pertaining to energy matters, the Kyoto Protocol and sustainable development
- Provided translation of evidence for several regulatory proceedings in the natural gas and electricity distribution and transmission sectors

SELECTED LIST OF PROCEEDINGS PARTICIPATION (completed and ongoing)

Electricity

- Hydro-Québec Distribution Rate Case 2007-2008 (R-3610-2006)
- Hydro-Québec Transmission Rate Case 2006-2007 (R-3605-2006)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution Energy Efficiency Plan, 2006 Budget Approval (R-3584-2005)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution Distributed Generation (R-3551-2005)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution Conditions for Service (R-3535-2004 Phase I, Phase II and Phase III)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution Energy Efficiency Plan, 2005 Budget Approval (R-3552-2004)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution Supply Plan 2005-2014 (R-3550-2004)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution Rate Case 2004-2005 (R-3541-2004)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution Call for Tenders Sustainable Development Criteria (R-3525-2004)
- Quebec's Energy Security and the Suroît Project (R-3526-2004)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution, Working Group on Energy Efficiency Potential in Quebec (R-3519-2003)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution Energy Efficiency Plan 2003-2006 (R-3519-2003 Phase I and Phase II)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution Rate Case 2003-2004 (R-3492-2002 Phase II)
- Hydro-Québec Distribution's Application for the Implementation of its first Energy Efficiency Plan (R-3473-2001)

Natural Gas

- Gaz Métro Rate Case 2008-2009 (R-3662-2008)
- Gazifère Rate Case 2007 (R-3621-2006)
- Gaz Métro Rate Case 2007-2008 (R-3630-2007)
- Gaz Métro, Renewal of Incentive Mechanism (R-3599-2006 Phase 1 and Phase 2)
- Gaz Métro Rate Case 2006-2007 (R-3596-2006 Phase II)
- Gaz Métro Annual Report 2006 (R-3618-2006)

- Conditions for Service of Natural Gas Distributors (R-3523-2003)
- Gaz Métro, Annual Working Groups on Energy Efficiency Plan for the years 2002-2003 to 2008-2009
- Gaz Métro Rate Case 2005-2006 (R-3559-2005)
- Gazifère Rate Case 2004-2005 (R-3537-2004)
- Gaz Métro Rate Case 2004-2005 (R-3529-2004)
- Gazifère Rate Case 2003-2004 (R-3514-2003)
- Gaz Métro Rate Case 2003-2004 (R-3510-2003)
- Gaz Métro Application for Renewal of Incentive Mechanism (R-3494-2002)

(NON ENERGY RELATED)

1999- PRESENT

- Provided translation for several academic publications, including refereed articles, publications in books and newspaper articles as well as several original documents, websites and research materials pertaining to environmental and other policy issues

NTM INTERNET SOFTWARE, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Head Translator / Localizer, 2000-2001

- Translation of company's product materials including software, manuals, websites from English into French, Spanish and Italian
- Proofreading of final documents & software in four languages
- Localizing for markets in Europe (France, Spain, Italy and the UK), Australia and North America (United States)
- Offered technical support to clients in their native tongues

EDUCATION

Graduate Diploma in Environmental Impact Assessment

Concordia University

Montreal, QC, 2004-2005 and 2007 to present

Course work and areas of interest include research on indigenous and local participation in environmental conservation and the energy sector

Master of Arts: International Affairs

University of Amsterdam

- Thesis included fieldwork (in the form of research of archival materials and interviews with several governmental officials) conducted in Barcelona, Spain in 2001.

Amsterdam, Netherlands, 2002.

Bachelor of Arts (with distinction)

Concordia University

- Majors: Political Science and Spanish Language
- Degree completed with honors, 1999

**1995-1996 National Language School Alicante, Spain
Degree in Spanish Language (Level V)**

Escuela Nacional de Idiomas,

- Intensive Spanish language program (Curso Superior) completed with high honors

Alicante, Spain 1996

Diploma of Proficiency in Spanish

Collège Platon,

- Certificate completed with high honors

Montreal, QC, 1995

LANGUAGES:

Written & spoken fluently: English, French, Spanish, Italian

Basic knowledge: German

AWARDS & HONOURABLE MENTIONS

2000-2002: \$25,000 Research Scholarship from *Fonds pour les chercheurs et l'aide à la recherche du Québec* (FCAR)

2000-2001: \$10,000 Celanese Canada Internationalist Fellowship

1999-2000: Arts & Science scholar award for outstanding academic achievement obtained from Concordia University

1999-2000: \$2,000 Scholarship from Canada Millennium Scholarship foundation

1997-1999: Dean's list at Concordia University

1999: Bachelor of Arts (double major) obtained with Distinction (GPA: 3.91)

1999: Certificate of Merit at Cairo International Model United Nations Conference in Cairo, Egypt